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1. Vietnam

According to press reports, General Ky has said that military representation in the new cabinet will be limited to defense and security posts. Ky and Thieu told Ambassador Taylor today that they expect to complete the cabinet and a draft of the government charter by Friday. They appear to be thinking along authoritarian lines.

Ambassador Taylor reports that as a result of the heavy fighting recently the number of combat ineffective army units has gone up. At present, four regiments and nine battalions are on the ineffective list, whereas only a few weeks ago the numbers were two regiments and three battalions.

In Communist China, popular apprehension over possible air attacks seems to be growing.

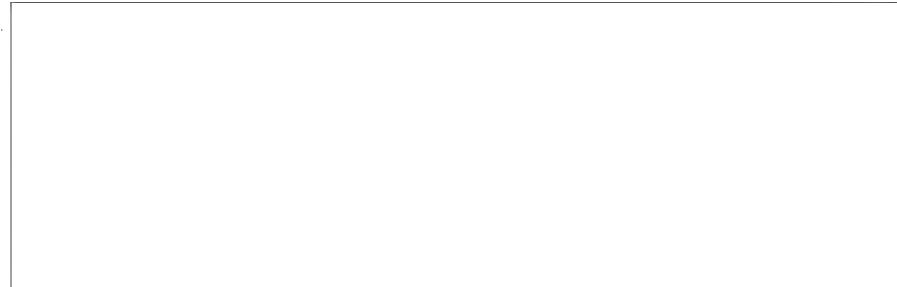
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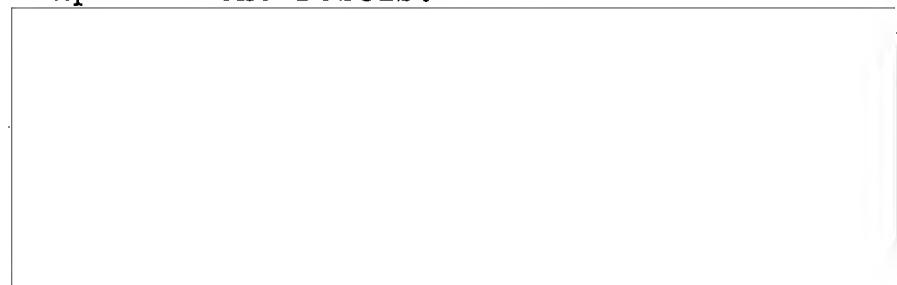
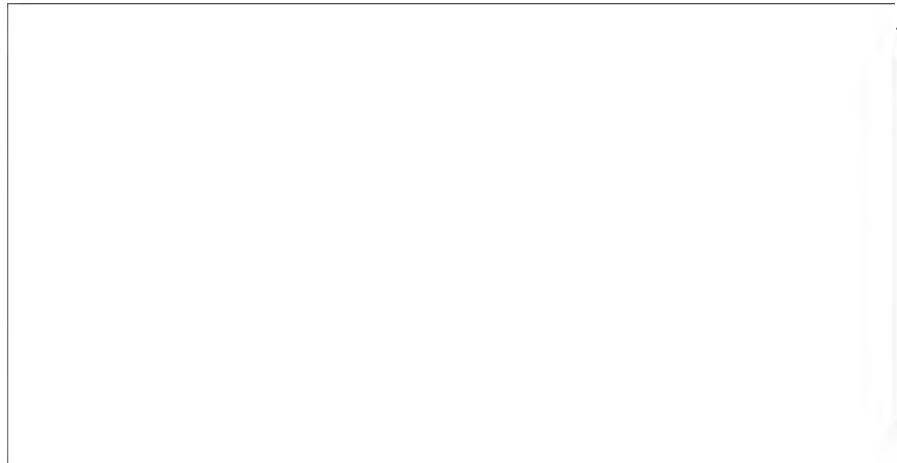
3. Guatemala**4. Dominican Republic**

Scattered firing in Santo Domingo stopped this morning, but there has been no letup in the rebel propaganda war against the US and the Organization of American States.

Two of the 30 US paratroopers wounded yesterday have died. One Brazilian officer was wounded, the first Latin American casualty. Reports on rebel losses are confused, but they apparently suffered several fatalities.

Rebel spokesmen today again threatened to "fight to the death." Caamano told the press today that the US and the Inter-American Force were trying to "destroy democracy" in the Dominican Republic. He sarcastically challenged the Imbert regime to follow up on its propaganda threats to wipe out the rebels.

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**5. Venezuela**

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6. Afro-Asian Conference

Despite rosy press releases from the Algerian hosts, the physical and administrative preparations for the "Second Bandung" Afro-Asian conference scheduled to 50X1 convene in Algiers on 29 June are not going at all well.

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